

From: [Miller, Gary](#)
To: [Sanchez, Carlos](#)
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Subject: RE: Aim High Recognition Campaign
Date: Friday, April 11, 2014 8:28:38 AM
Attachments: [San Jacinto River Waste Pits Cleanup.docx](#)

Carlos,

See the attached write up for San Jacinto.

Thanks,

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From: Sanchez, Carlos
Sent: Thursday, April 10, 2014 2:32 PM
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Thanks Gary,
I guess the write-ups should be similar to the WARs, two to three sentences to communicate a positive message of what we are doing at each site. CAS

From: Baumgarten, Gary
Sent: Thursday, April 10, 2014 2:23 PM
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Here are three examples I pulled off the site for activities in Region 6.
You can include pictures if you have them

NAI Cleanup, Vernon, TX

When liquefied asphalt wastes began migrating from an abandoned dilapidated warehouse in Vernon, Texas and impacting neighboring businesses as well as threatening a nearby river, the City of Vernon immediately responded and erected a soil berm to prevent further migration of the waste material. The large volume of material began seeping through the berm and it soon became apparent that significant resources would have to be expended to resolve the problem.

The City of Vernon had limited financial resources to address the site, however after meeting with EPA they agreed to provide electricity, water and provide security for the site during the cleanup. The partnership between the City and EPA resulted in a quicker cheaper cleanup with the end result turning a dangerous eyesore into a productive piece of property.



EPA Region 6 hosted a brownfields workshop in Farmington, New Mexico. The goal of the workshop was to educate communities on the brownfields program and also provide information on the annual Brownfields National competition. This workshop was held on Tuesday, April 8, 2014. We had over 40 attendees with tribal representation from tribes in Utah and Arizona.

Healthy Homes Training in Arkansas

In the spring of 2013, the Children's Health Program in Region 6 coordinated a Healthy Homes training event in Little Rock Arkansas. Partnering with the National Center for Healthy Housing, The University of Texas School of Public Health, the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, and the Arkansas Department of Health, over 70 people learned how to implement practices that protect kids from environmental risks where they live, learn, and play. Training attendees included academics, public health practitioners, housing officials, and others. As result of the collaboration with Arkansas partners, Pulaski Tech earned a certification to teach Healthy Homes, extending the reach of the Healthy Homes principles and ultimately the number of children who will grow up in healthy communities.